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## PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

### UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

*Summary of work in Chinatown, San Francisco, for week ended May 23, 1903.*

The following is received from Surgeon Glennan, at San Francisco, under date of May 26, being record of work in Chinatown for week ended May 23, 1903:

Buildings reinspected.....	228
Rooms reinspected .....	1,725
Persons inspected .....	1,788
Sick inspected.....	43
Sick seen and prescribed for at Oriental Dispensary.....	8
Dead examined .....	5
Necropsies .....	1
Rats bacteriologically examined.....	101
Places disinfected and limed .....	795
Times street swept and sprinkled with bichloride solution.....	3
Sewers flushed .....	5
Notices served to abate plumbing nuisances .....	80
Plumbing nuisances abated .....	16
Plumbing nuisances undergoing abatement.....	21
Plumbing complaints filed .....	27
Unsanitary habitations ordered vacated.....	2
Unsanitary habitations ordered destroyed.....	8

### *Pneumonia in Chicago.*

Surgeon Banks reports, May 19, as follows: In continuation of my report on the prevalence of pneumonia in this city, I have the honor to state that the bulletins of the health commissioner show its unabated progress. For the week ended May 16 there were 172 deaths, or 29.3 per cent of all causes. It appears that in the period elapsed since January 1, 1903, there have been 2,659 deaths from this disease, nearly two and one-half times as many as from consumption. This record is little less than astonishing and would seem to call for its inclusion among the diseases calling for special protective measures from the profession. Its communicability seems to be so well established that it should be held as warranting all the sanitary restrictions thrown around cases of tuberculosis.